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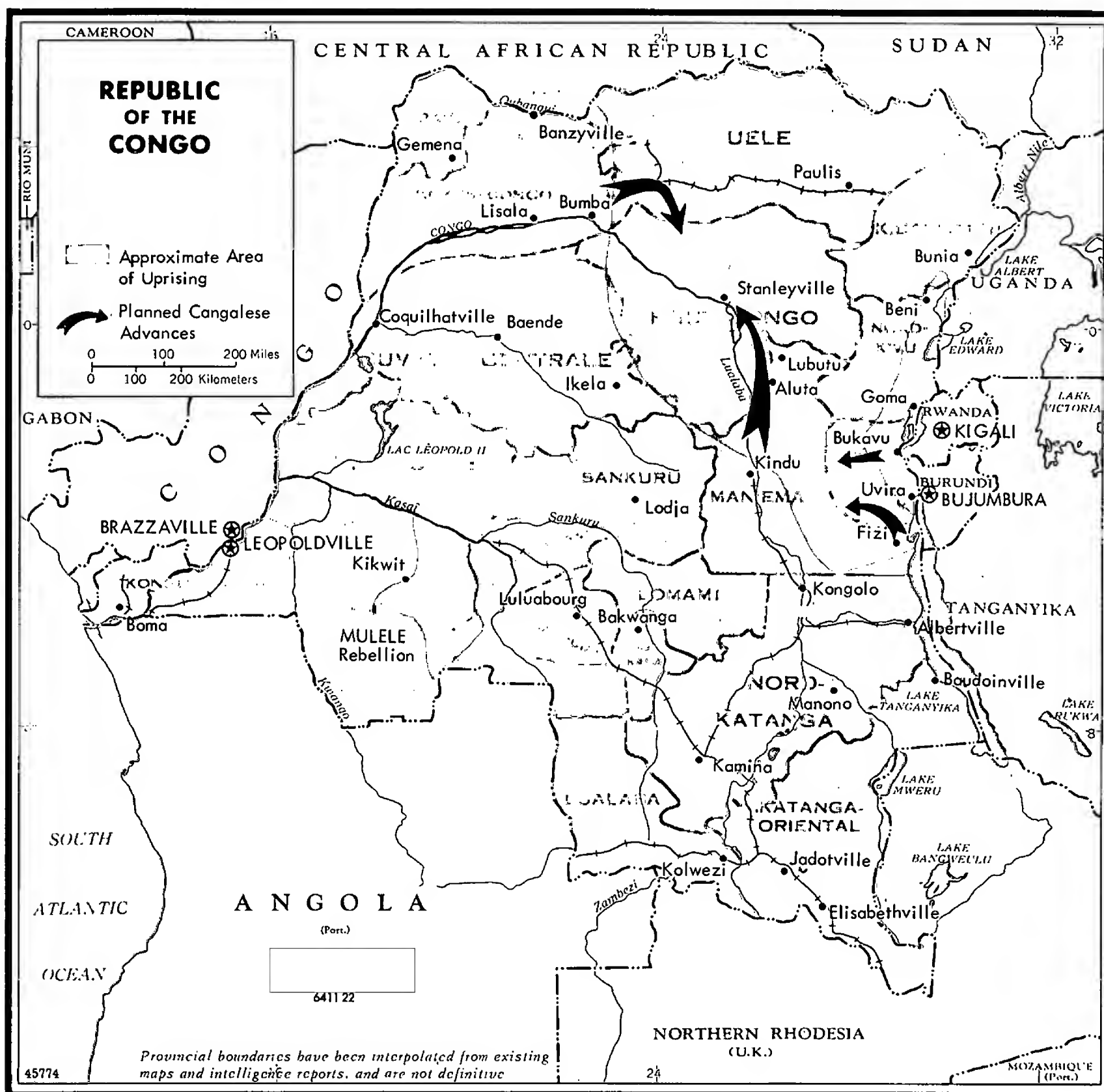
THE PRESIDENT'S DAILY BRIEF



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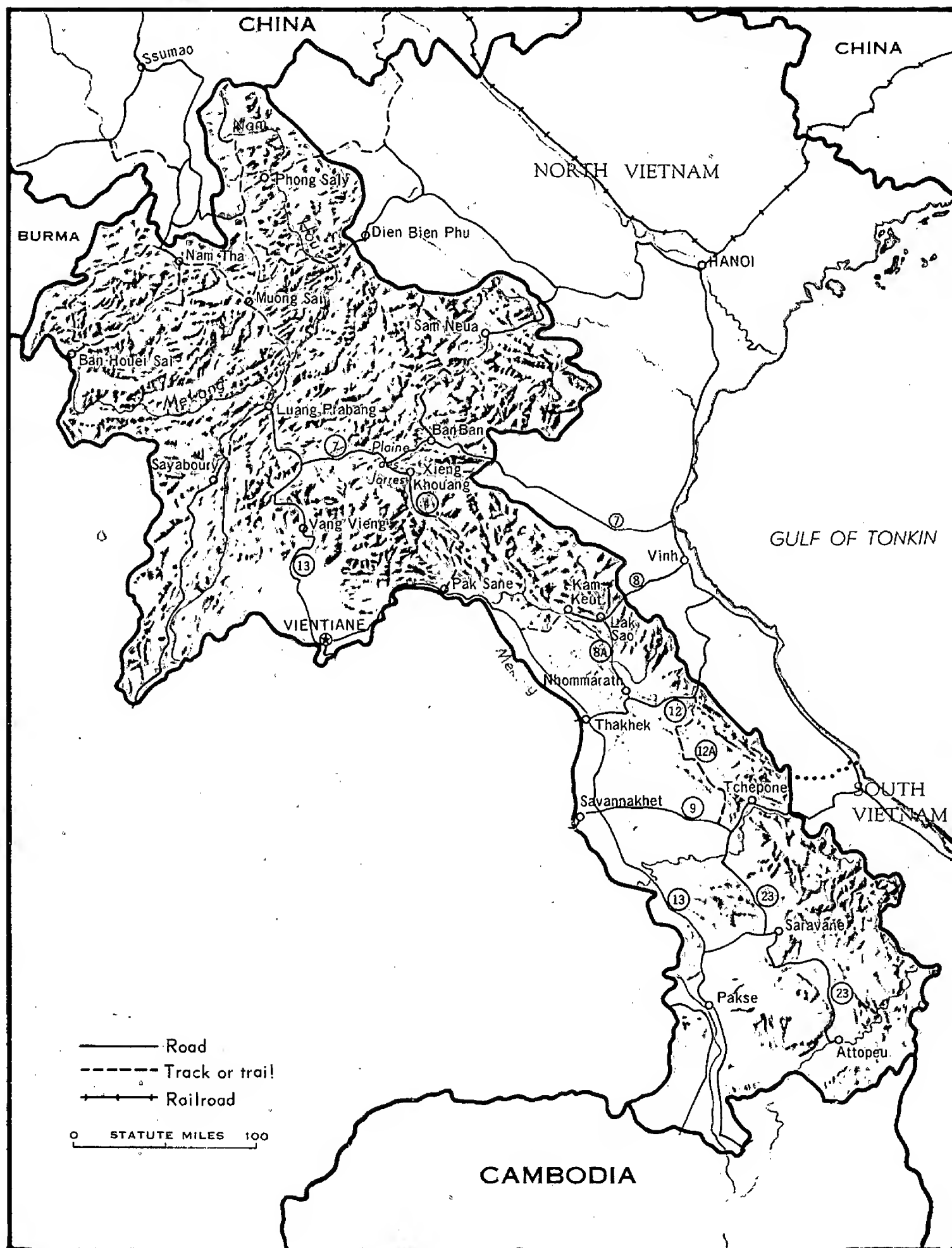
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1. Congo

2. West Germany

3. Communist China

4. Laos

5. Yemen

The talks between the royalists and the republicans, supposed to begin today, have been postponed until 30 November. The cease-fire is still not being fully honored.

6. French

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7. Bolivia

Barrientos' politicking is causing a good deal of concern on the part of the civilians in the government despite Barrientos' statement last week that he will not run for the presidency. Embassy La Paz is skeptical, and does not rule out a possible deal between Barrientos, who is losing support among the peasantry, and Lechin.

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8. France-UK

The French intend to press on with development of the Concorde supersonic transport even if the British pull out.

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9. South Vietnam

Saigon was quiet today after yesterday's demonstrations were put down by the police and military. A few bands of potential troublemakers were milling about the streets this evening, however, and Huong has called out his security forces to guard against a new outburst. The Buddhists have protested against government brutality and may react further.

10. Panama

Antigovernment riots in Panama City today were broken up by the national guard, but we expect further trouble tonight or tomorrow. The situation is reviewed in Annex 3.

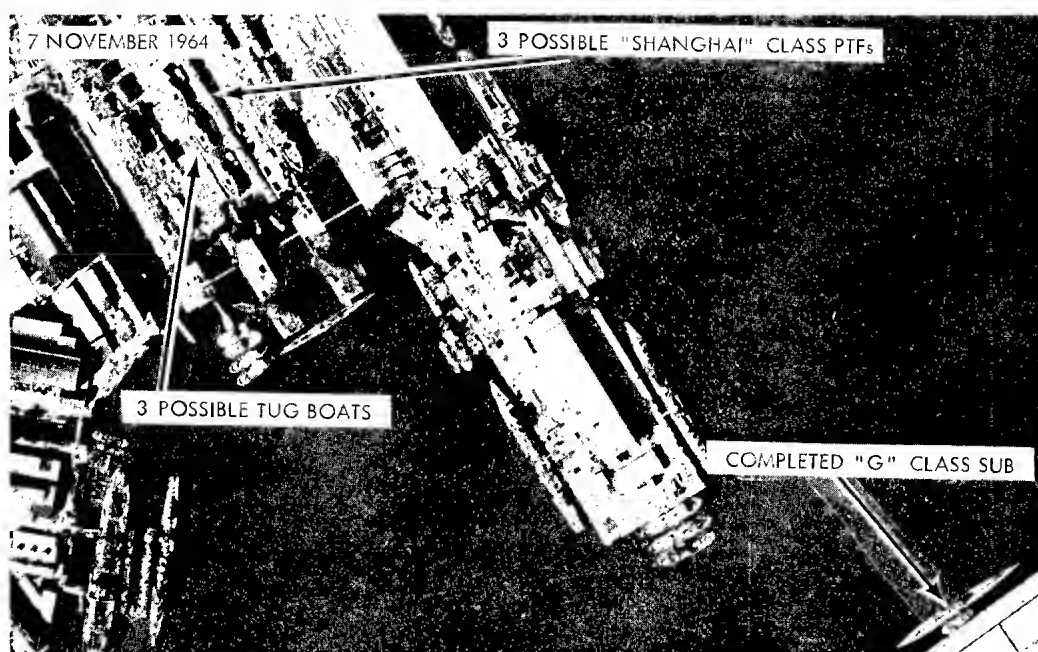
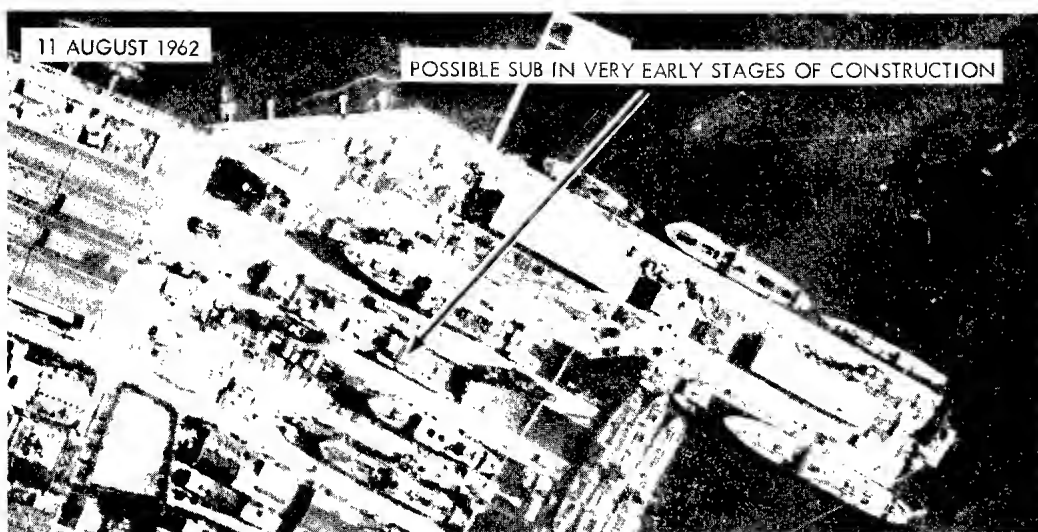
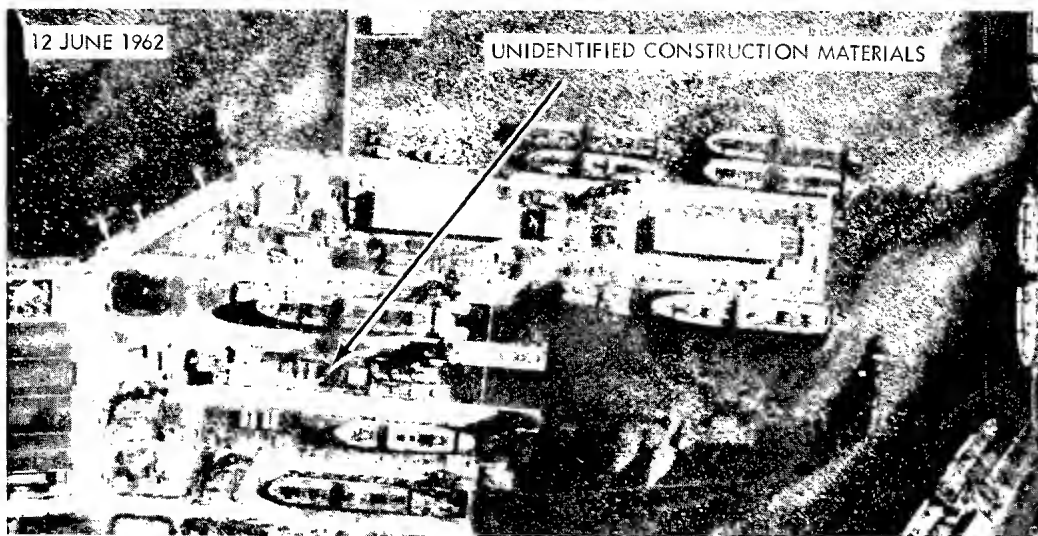
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ANNEX 2 FOLLOWS



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Chinese G-Class Ballistic Missile Submarine

Available photography of the Dairen shipyard shows that the Chinese began to assemble the hull of their G-class submarine in mid-1962. A year later, the submarine was in a relatively advanced state of construction. It was launched this summer, and by September had been moved to a nearby fitting-out pier. In November the vessel, possibly completed, was photographed alongside a wharf in the commercial shipping area of Dairen.

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ANNEX 3

The Situation in Panama

The national guard has come out on top today in the first round of the contest between the Robles government and its opponents.

On orders from the President, the guard used tear gas and gun fire to disperse some 2,000 street rioters this afternoon. Two were killed and a number wounded.

We expect further trouble this evening, after the special session of the National Assembly breaks up. Students and trade union meetings have been called for this evening, and Communist agitators will be there in force.

The feud between former Canal negotiator Illueca and Foreign Minister Eleta has added fuel to the fires. Extremists, who have been active in fanning these flames, are now taking dead aim at the Robles government.

So far the demonstrations have not taken a marked anti-American turn.